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1. [redacted] Talked with Miss Helen Tomasek, in the office of Representative Daniel J. Flood, regarding [redacted] See Memorandum for the Record.

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2. [redacted] Don McGillicuddy, Senate Preparedness Investigating Subcommittee staff, called again to check on our appearing before the Subcommittee in the near future. McGillicuddy had seen a Congressional Record announcement that the Agency had appeared before the Senate Armed Services Committee and assumed that the estimate on Soviet military posture had, therefore, been completed. I advised McGillicuddy that this was not the case, that this was a routine Subcommittee briefing. He said he understood but asked that we keep him posted as soon as possible as to when the estimate would be completed and the Agency could conduct its briefing of the Subcommittee.

Briefing file

3. [redacted] A meeting was held at the request of Stanley Flesent, General Counsel of USIA, to discuss congressional action on the postal rate bill containing the Cunningham amendment barring the entrance into the U.S. of Communist propaganda through the U.S. mails. Accompanying Mr. Flesent was Mr. Tush. Present from the Agency were Mr. Warner, [redacted] and [redacted] CA Staff, and [redacted] Mr. Flesent indicated that USIA plans to discuss this bill with the Postmaster General and Mr. Richard Donahue of the White House in order to develop support against the Cunningham amendment. It was agreed that CA Staff would pull together some substantive information on this and that we would ask FDD to provide information on how such a restriction would affect the procurement of Soviet publications. We are to be in touch with Mr. Flesent early in the week. (See Memorandum for the Record for details.)

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4. [redacted] Mr. Wehmeyer, State Department, called expressing an interest in the postal rate bill meeting held this morning. I brought him up to date and he indicated an interest in attending the meeting with the Postmaster General and [redacted]. I suggested he contact Mr. Flesent on this.

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